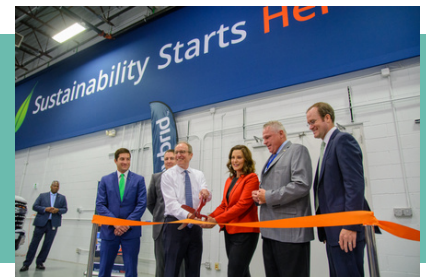




GOVERNOR GRETCHEN WHITMER

GROWING THE ECONOMY AND CREATING GOOD-PAYING JOBS



Governor Whitmer is focused on growing Michigan's economy, bringing home supply chains of cars, chips, and clean energy and ensuring every community can thrive.

Announcing over 35,000 new good-paying auto jobs

- GM announced a [\\$7 billion investment](#) in Lansing and Orion Township creating 4,000 jobs and a [\\$2.2 billion investment](#) to build Factory Zero creating 2,000 jobs.
- Stellantis announced the [first new plant in Detroit](#) in nearly 30 years, creating 6,000 jobs. They also announced an [\\$83 million investment](#) at their Dundee Engine Complex.
- Ford announced a [\\$1.45 billion investment](#) creating 3,000 jobs to help produce the first-ever electric F-150. Made another [\\$250 million investment](#) creating 450 jobs to boost production. Won a [\\$2 billion investment](#) creating 3,200 jobs increasing capacity across several Southeast Michigan plants. Secured a [\\$3.5 billion investment](#) creating 2,500 jobs building electric vehicle batteries in Marshall.
- Gotion announced a [\\$2.3 billion investment](#) in Big Rapids creating 2,350 jobs building electric vehicle battery components.
- Our Next Energy announces [HQ in Novi](#) and a [\\$1.6 billion investment](#) in Van Buren Township creating 2,112 jobs building electric vehicle batteries.
- LG Energy Solution announced a [\\$1.7 billion investment](#) in Holland creating 1,200 jobs.
- Thousands more jobs in automotive manufacturing, mobility, and electrification.
- Projected to "[dominate](#)" battery manufacturing; [top state](#) for electric vehicle investments

Securing investments in chip manufacturing and clean energy

- Nel Hydrogen announced a [\\$400 million investment](#) that will create 500 clean energy jobs as a direct result of the governor's economic mission to Norway.
- Hemlock Semiconductor announced a [\\$375 million investment](#) creating 170 good-paying jobs at its headquarters Thomas Township.
- SK Siltron announced a [\\$300 million investment](#) creating 150 jobs in Bay City.
- KLA announced a [\\$150 million investment](#) creating 600 good-paying jobs in Ann Arbor.
- Wacker announced a [\\$50 million investment](#) supporting 300 jobs to open a cutting-edge innovation center in Ann Arbor.
- Indie Semiconductor announced a [\\$12.5 million investment](#) creating 180 jobs in Auburn Hills.
- Calumet Electronics announced a [\\$6.5 million investment](#) creating 80 jobs in the Keweenaw Peninsula.

Ushering a strong economic recovery

- Worked to establish Michigan as the [#1 state](#) for energy sector job growth.
- Made Michigan a standout state for investors with [better than ever bond returns](#).
- Ranked #1 for fastest [foreign direct investment](#) job growth over past 5 years.
- Ushered in [fastest small business growth](#) in 23 years and a [24% increase](#) in revenue.
- Created the [Strategic Outreach Attraction Reserve \(SOAR\) fund](#) to [empower Michigan to win](#) large manufacturing projects and create tens of thousands of good-paying jobs. [Proposed](#) a sustainable fund source for SOAR.
- Signed a [bipartisan tax cut](#), [reduced tax burden](#), and [increased tax flexibility](#) for small businesses, enabling them to grow and create jobs.
- Signed an executive directive to increase [state procurement and contracts](#) with small and geographically disadvantaged businesses.
- Created and funded the [Office of Rural Development](#).
- Set up [COVID-19 economic relief programs](#) that delivered over \$240 million to small businesses, supported over 25,000 companies, and retained over 200,000 jobs.

Cutting costs for consumers and families

- Rolled back the [retirement tax](#) to save 500,000 households an average of \$1,000 a year.
- Quintupled the [Michigan Working Families Tax Credit](#) to give over 700,000 working families an average tax refund of \$3,150.
- [Proposed](#) Pre-K for All, saving families \$10,000 a year and giving every kid a great start.
- Signed bipartisan legislation to put [money back in people's pockets](#) and bring down the cost of car insurance, [saving](#) drivers at least \$120 per car [in 2020](#).
- Delivered refunds of [\\$400 per vehicle back](#) in the pockets of Michigan drivers.
- Eliminated the [tampon tax](#).
- Announced the [MI Open Account Coalition](#) offering low or no-cost financial services, saving eligible families an average of \$3,000 a year and helping them build wealth.

Paving pathways for opportunity

- Funded programs like [Reconnect](#), [Futures for Frontliners](#), and [Michigan Achievement Scholarship](#) to lower the cost of higher education for hundreds of thousands of Michiganders and get them on paths to higher education or skills training that leads to a good-paying job. [Proposed](#) lowering the age for participants to 21, expanding eligibility to 350,000 more.
- Invested in and [proposed](#) additional funding [Going Pro](#) to help businesses up-skill in-house talent, secure resources for talent retention in key industries, eliminate [barriers to employment](#), expand partnerships with union training facilities, and more.
- Awarded federal funding to create [1,417 apprenticeships](#) in new sectors with an emphasis on recruiting Michiganders from historically underrepresented groups.
- Signed a bipartisan [supplemental budget](#) expanding apprenticeships and investing in SmartZones for entrepreneurs.
- Created the [Entrepreneurship & Innovation Program](#) which led to over 1,300 high-tech companies being formed in Michigan, and over 20,000 new full time equivalent jobs.
- [Proposed](#) investments in regional economic development, small and micro businesses, community revitalization efforts, and a fund for special events.